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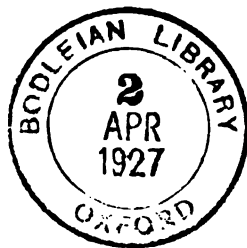
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IN
St. George's and the Bristol Channels,
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UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE LORDS OF THE ADMIRALTY,
By the late intelligent and ingenious Hydrographer,
LEWIS MORRIS, ESQ.
WITH
HINTS ON IMPROVEMENTS
FOR THE GREATER SECURITY
Of the Navigation on the Coast of Wales:
TOGETHER WITH
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Figure 1. The effect of the concentration of the *Agrobacterium* suspension on the transformation efficiency of *Agrobacterium* strains.

TO THE READER.

AS this performance may be esteemed the only one of the kind ever published in Great-Britain, it may not be improper to give some account of the rise, progress, and nature of the undertaking. The melancholy accounts of shipwrecks and losses on the Coast of Wales, (chiefly occasioned by the very slender knowledge and imperfect description of that coast) pointed out to the Lords of the Admiralty the necessity of an actual survey, and their Lordships were pleased to order my father, the late Lewis Morris, upon that service; but as his surveys extended only from Ormes Head, near Chester Bar, to Milford Haven, they were found inadequate to the desired end; I therefore undertook to extend them to Liverpool, and to Cardiff in the Bristol Channel, and to include the East Coast of Ireland from Dublin to Wexford, which now renders the survey of the Welsh and Irish Coasts in St. George's and the Bristol Channels complete.

I cannot avoid observing in this place, that some of the English draughts of the Coasts of Wales and Ireland, which are now in the hands of sailors, and which pass for new and correct charts, (I mean such as have come within the compass of my observation,) are evidently no other than very imperfect eye draughts, or else very corrupt copies of antient surveys; and are upon no account to be depended upon. I am far from censuring the performance of others, but I take it to be the duty of every man to make public a matter which is of so great consequence to the nation. The correctness necessary in undertakings of this kind, by sea and by land, demands extraordinary care and application; and the many observations proper for determining justly the situations and positions of places, time of tide, soundings, &c. require the utmost attention, and much labour and pains, which ought

not, in such cases, to be spared, where the lives and property of so many persons (the most valuable part of his Majesty's subjects) are concerned. In this survey and publication, besides the close application and hard labour requisite, I found almost insuperable difficulties, and that it required a resolution not easily to be intimidated to go through with it, as the chief part of the business was to search carefully for those dangers others have endeavoured as carefully to avoid; and I am firmly of opinion that nothing material hath escaped my observation, that relate to these surveys: this may be seen by comparing other draughts with the General Chart, which is also published from an actual survey, and on which every dependence may be placed.

One observation more I may venture to make as peculiar to this work; and that is, the names of places are inserted according to their true orthography; whereas in other charts and maps of the coast, they are generally so inaccurately spelt, as not to be known by either natives or inhabitants; and are, for the most part, the spurious productions of ignorant transcribers and careless engravers.

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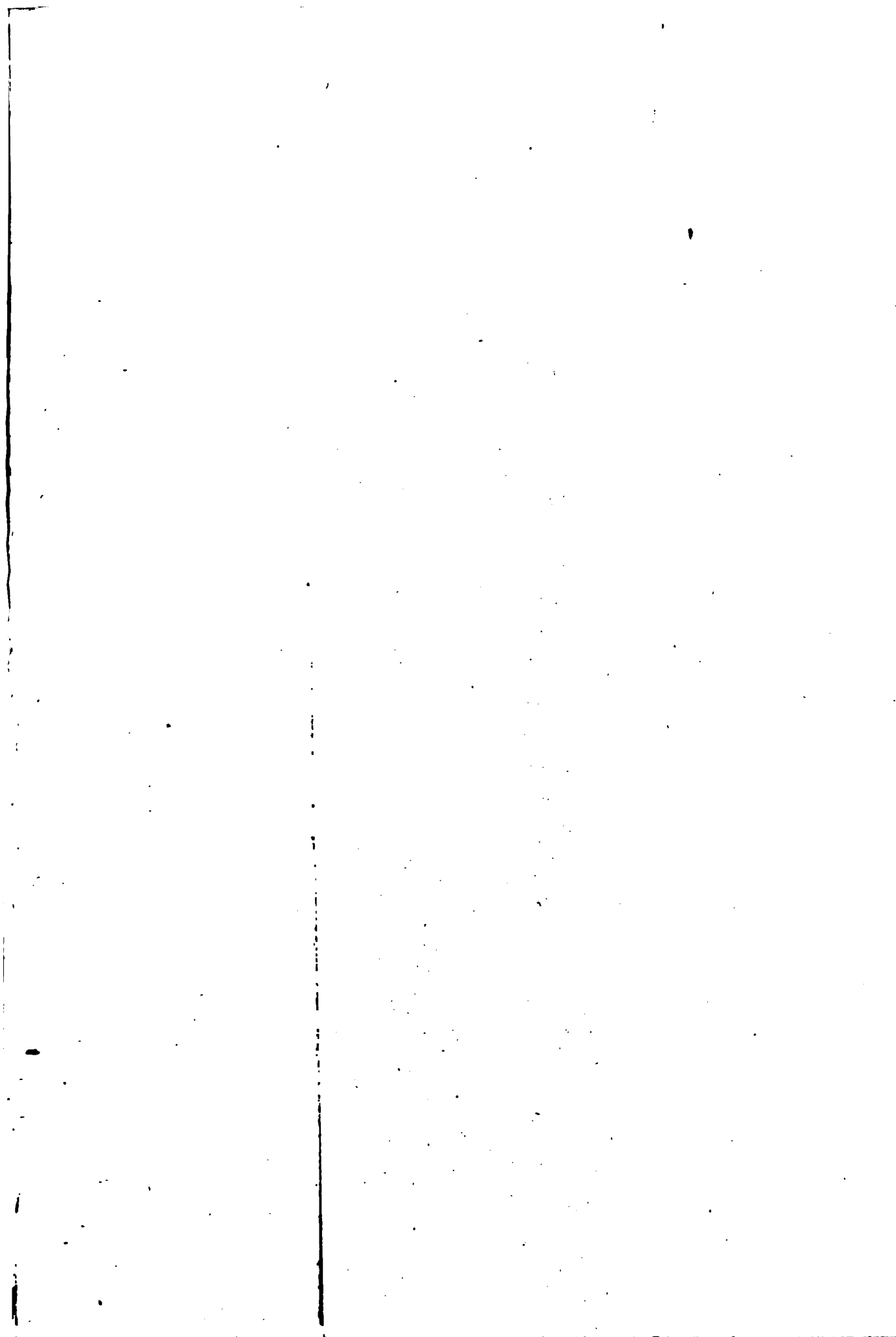
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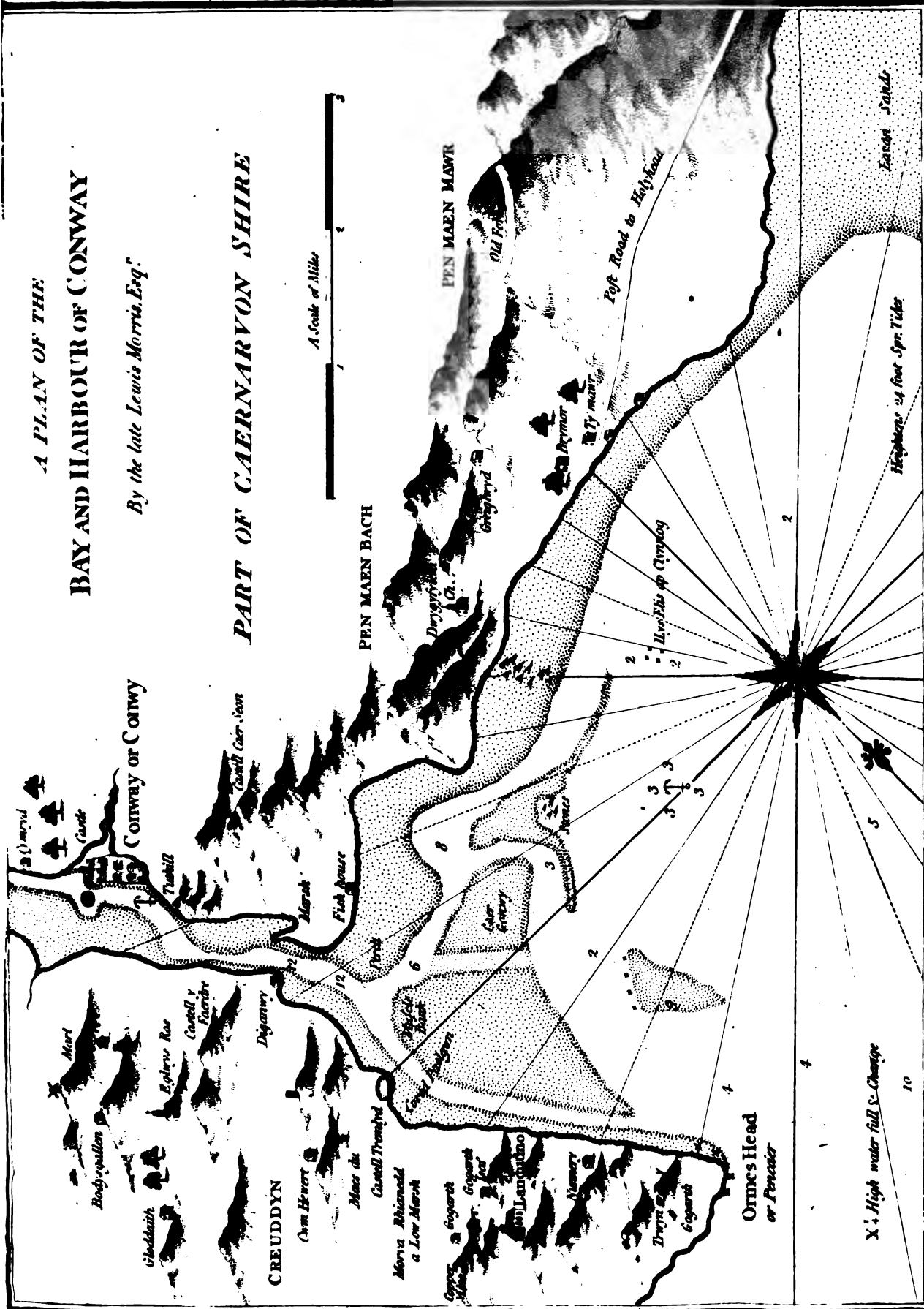


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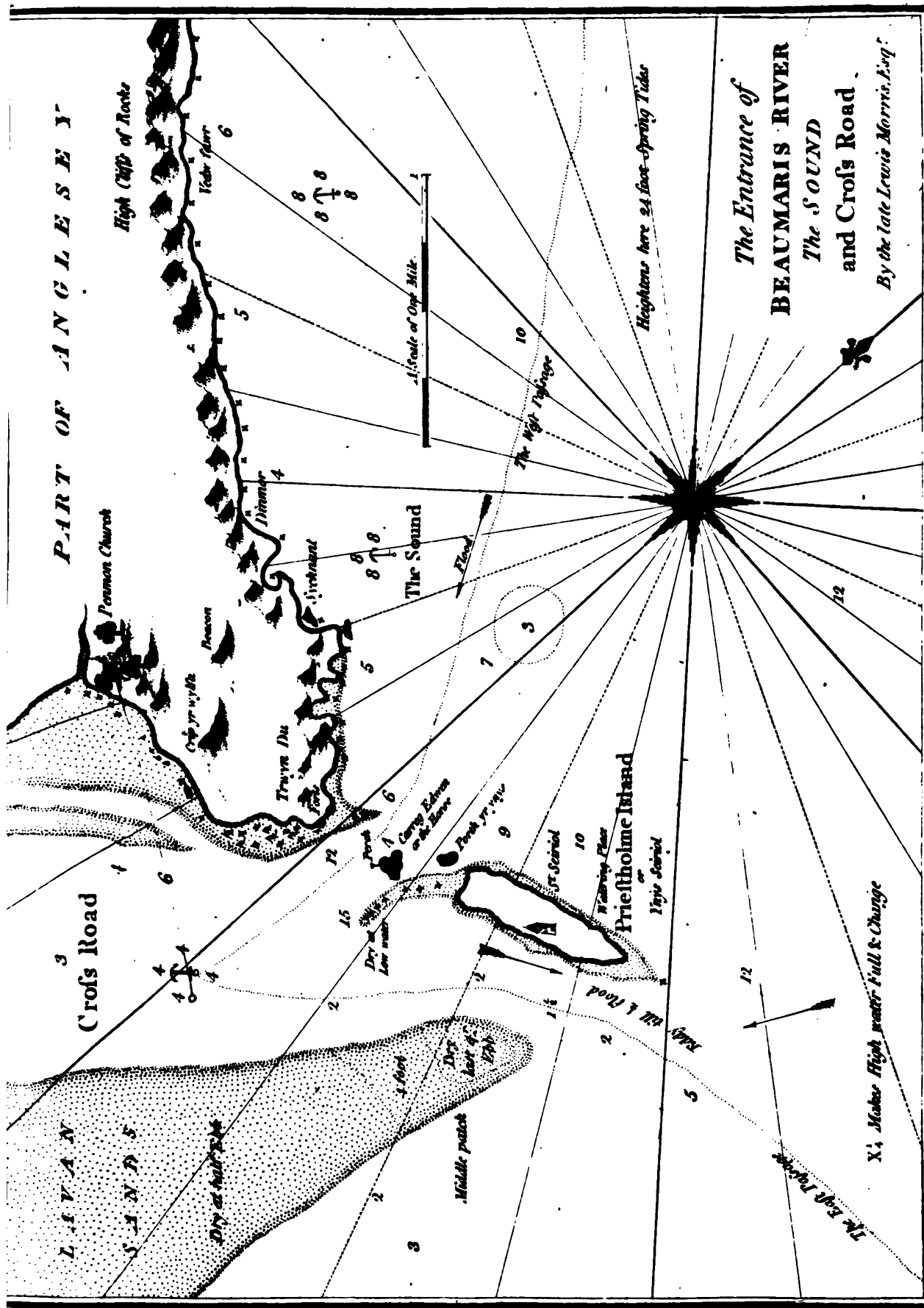
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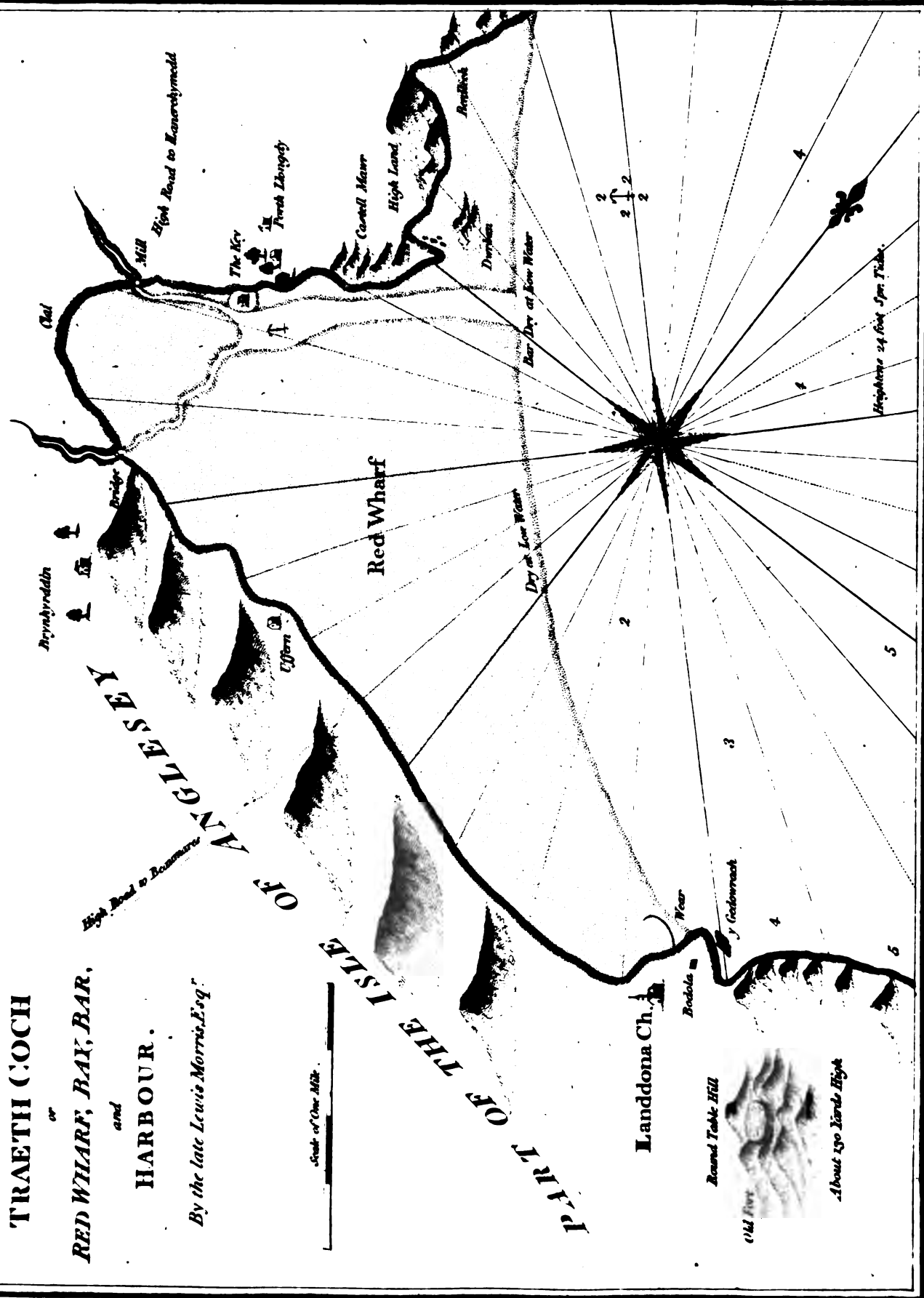
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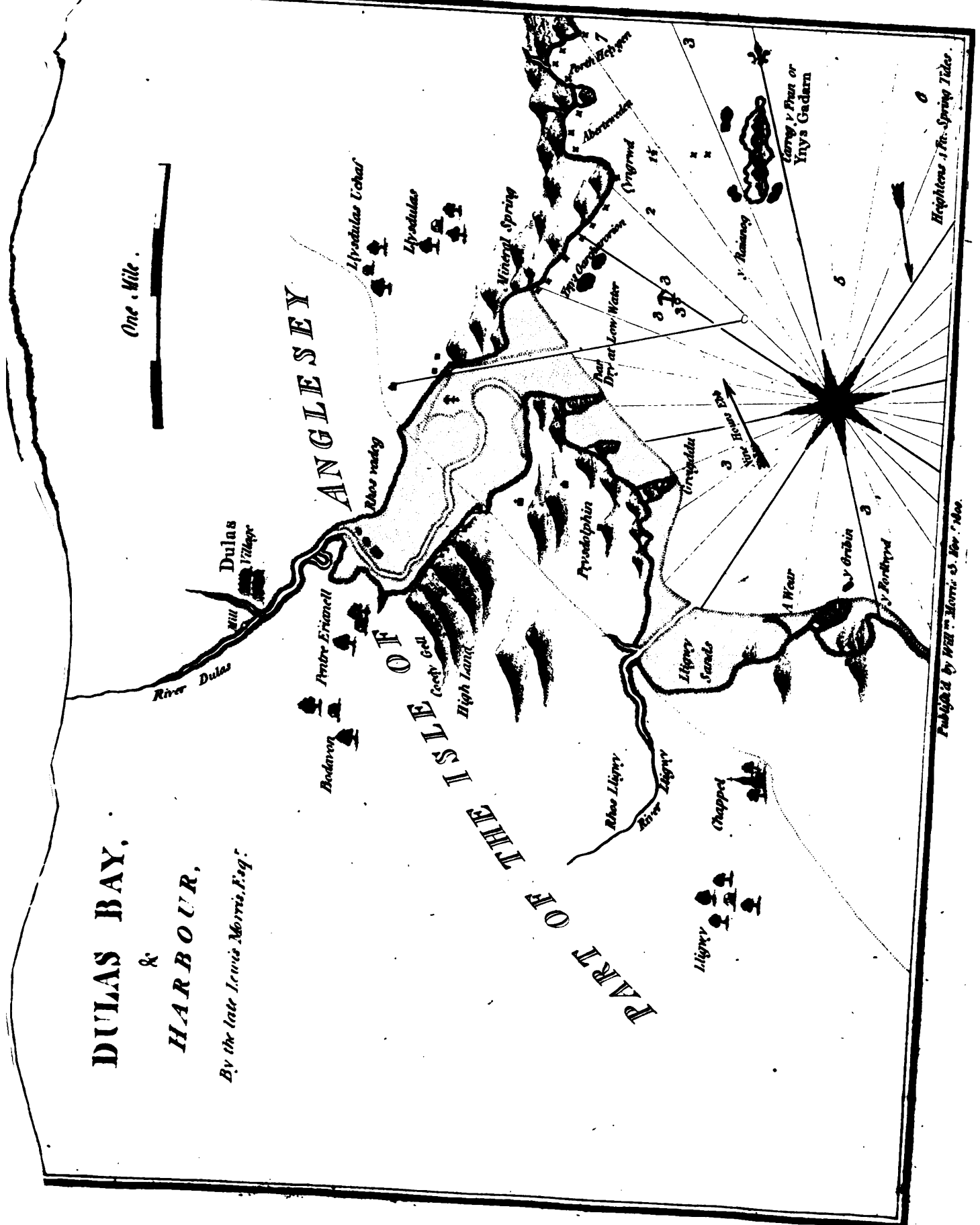
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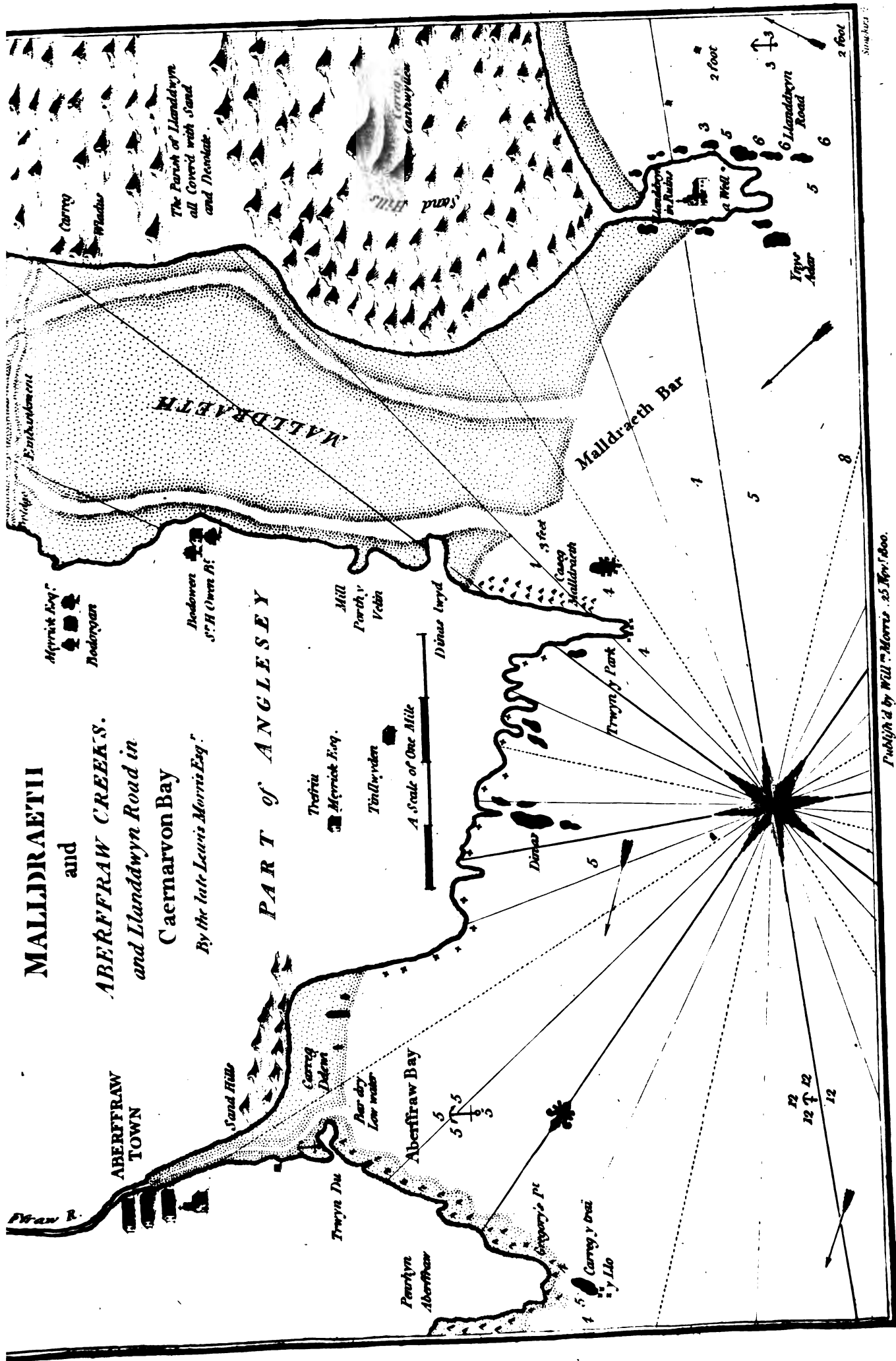
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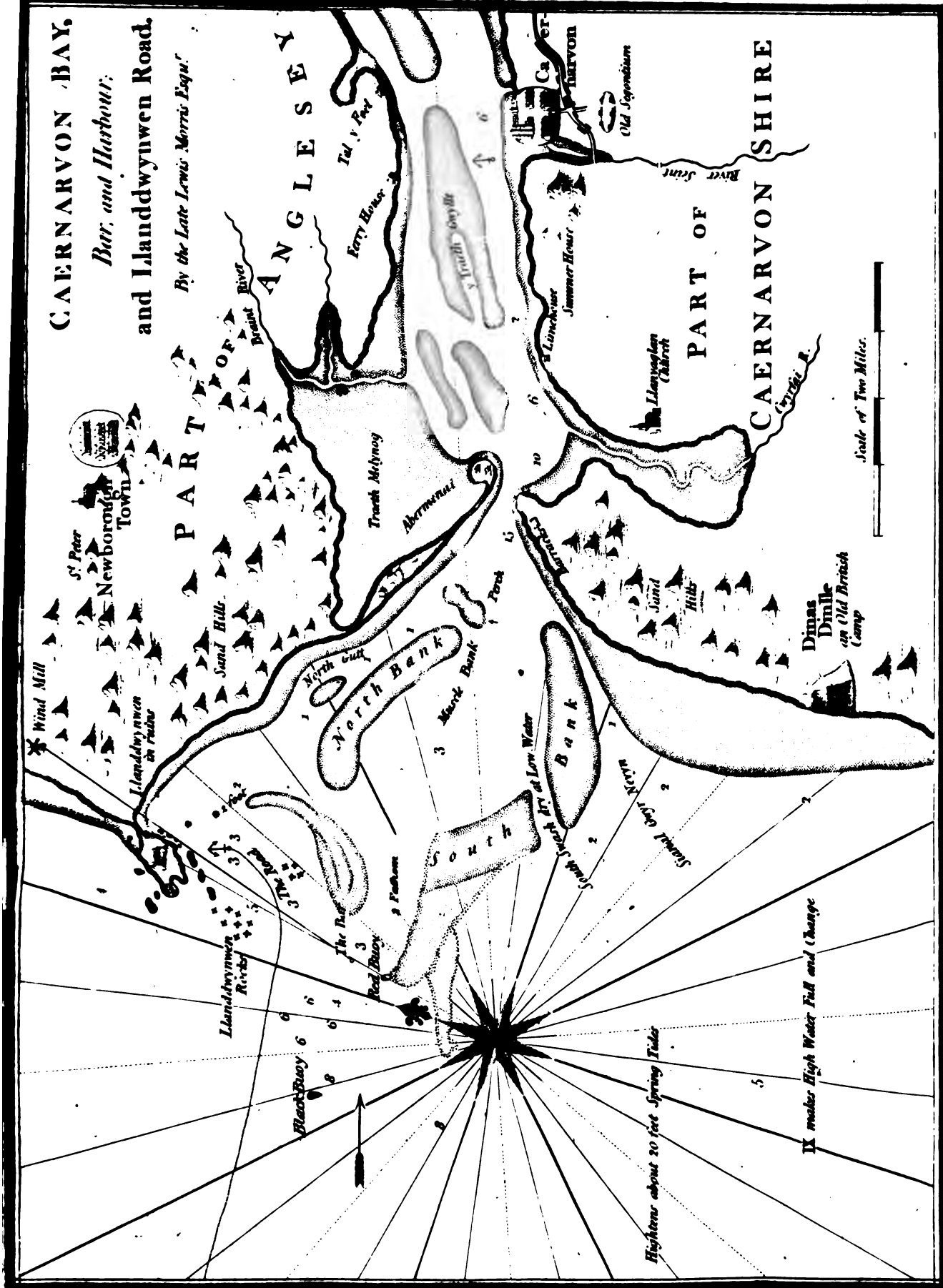
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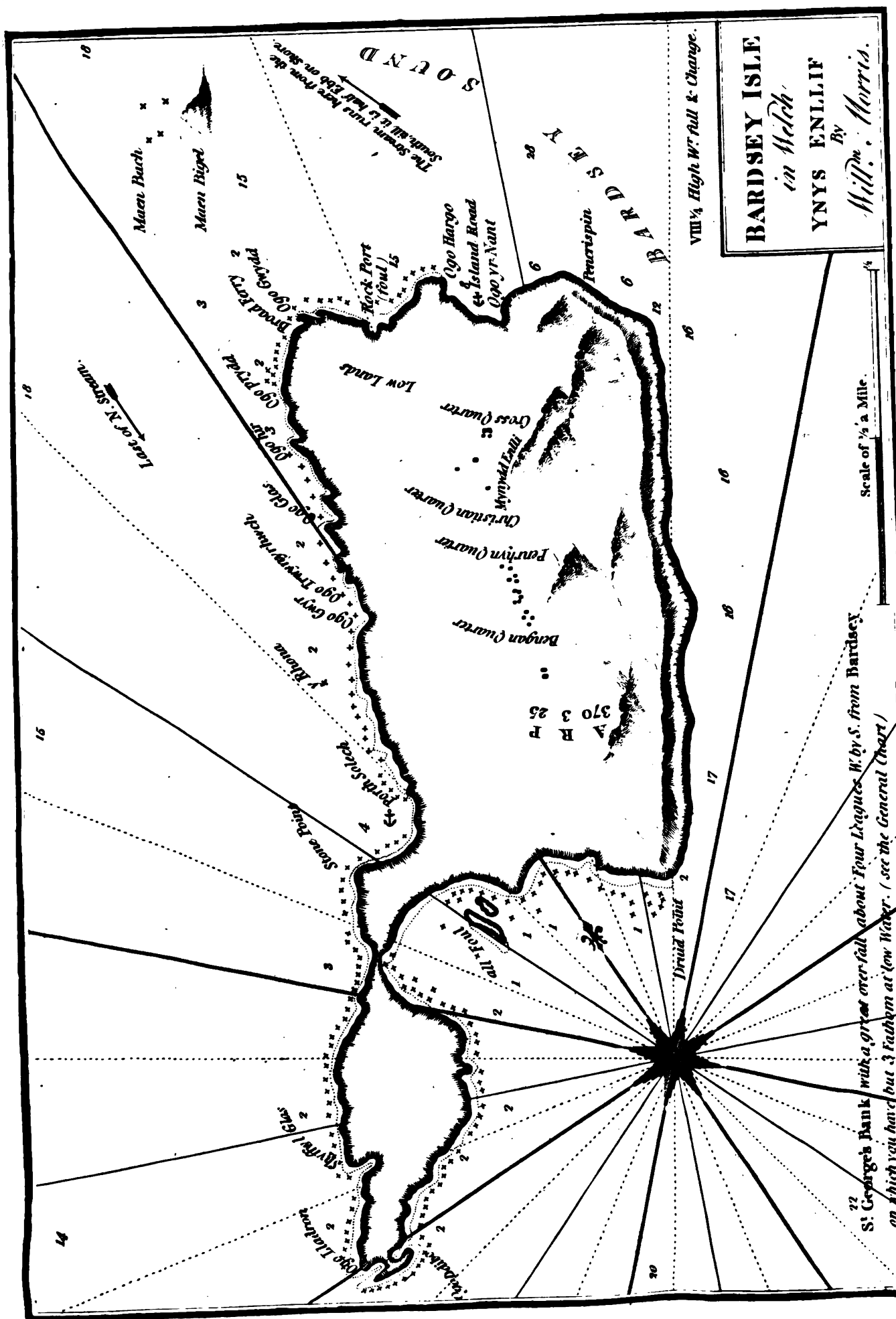
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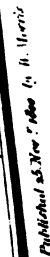








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PART OF CAERNARVON SHIRE

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ABERDARON ROAD

the South East side of Bardsey Sound

IN CAERNARVON SHIRE

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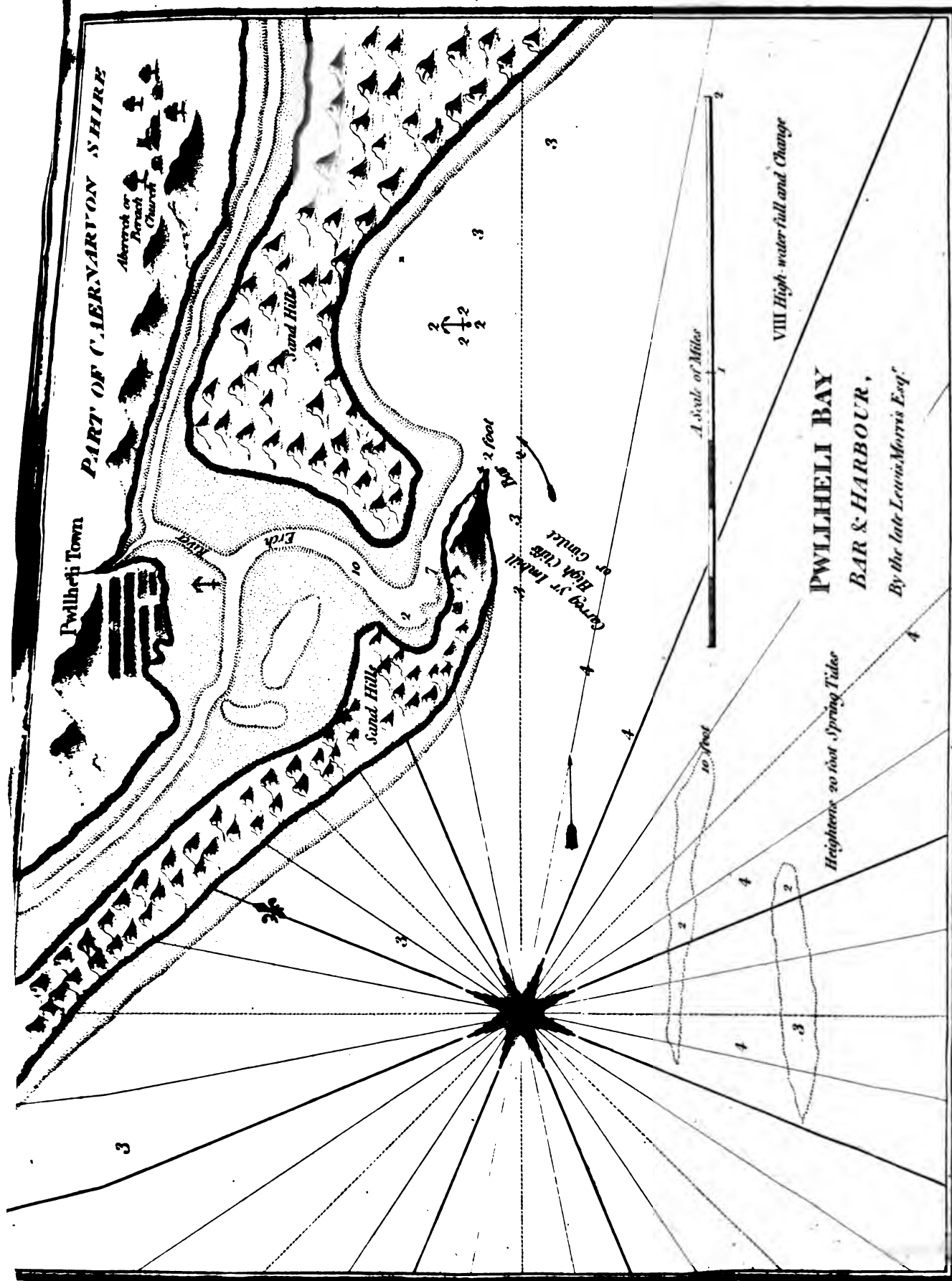
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There is a Triangular Bank of Sand two Miles to the Southward of Bardsey on which you have but two Fathoms at Low Water which you are to avoid in coming from the Southward to this Sound. See the General Chart.

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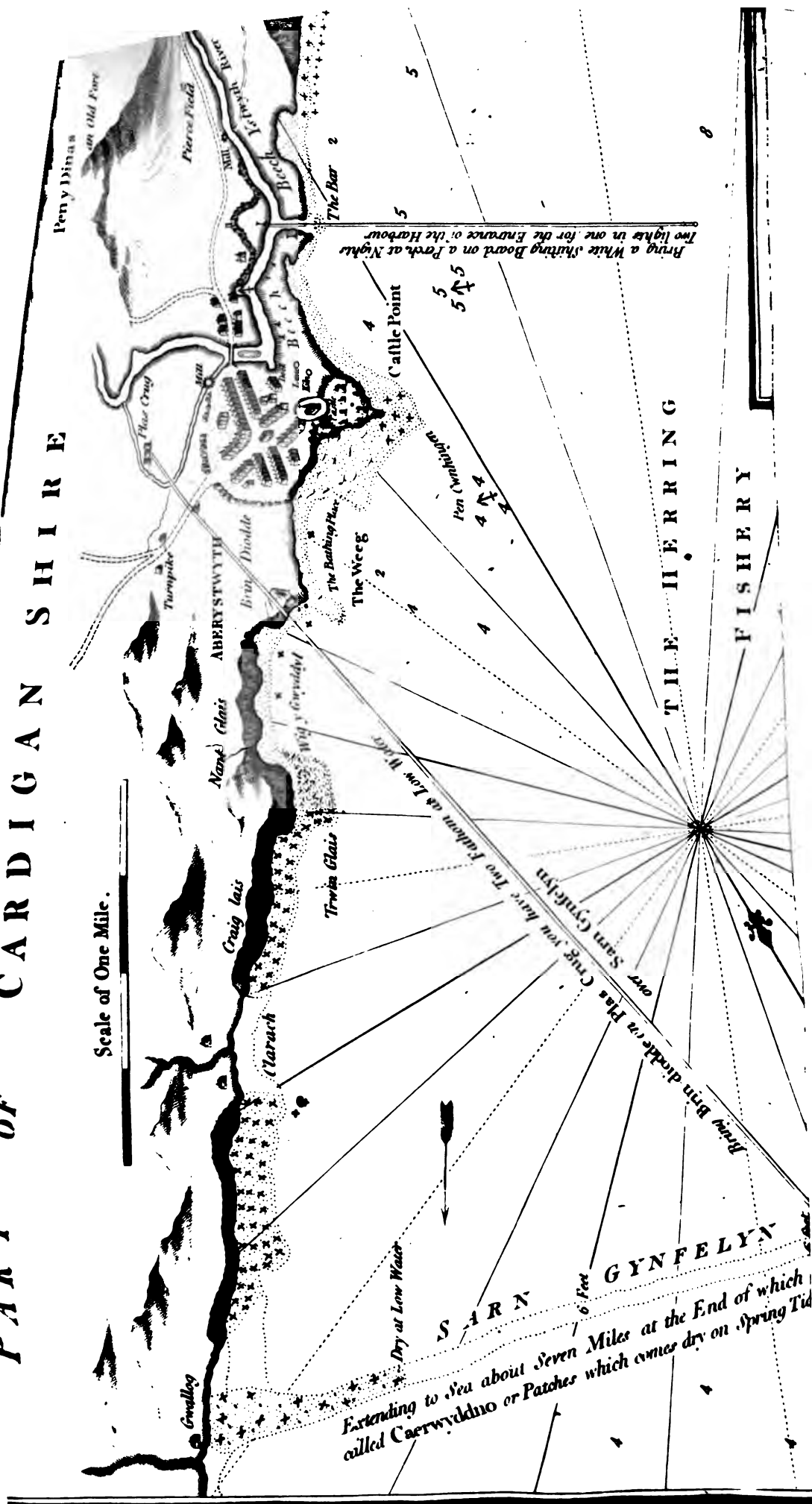
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Scale of One Mile.



Extending to Sea about Seven Miles at the End of which
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Dry at Low Water

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THE RING

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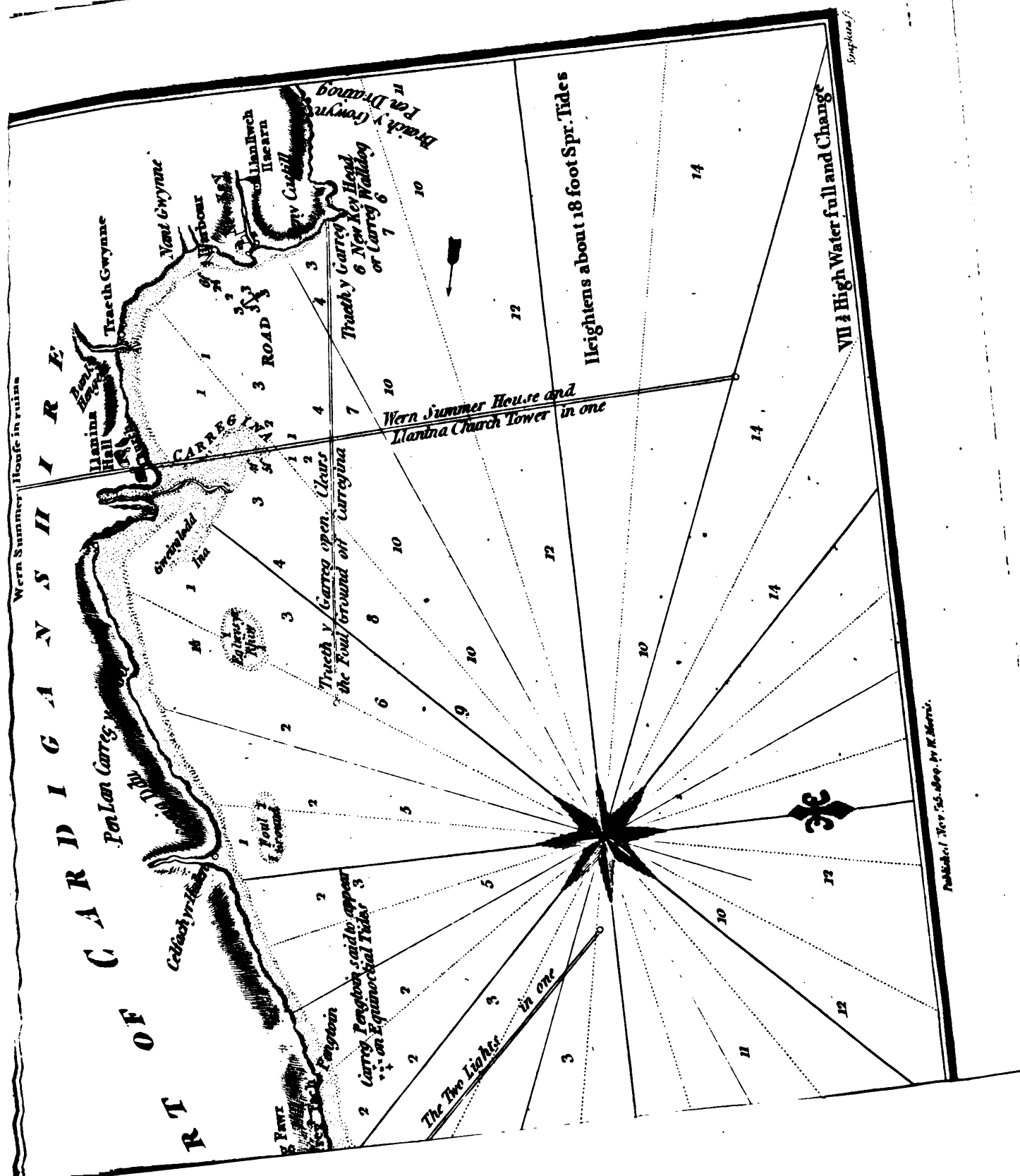
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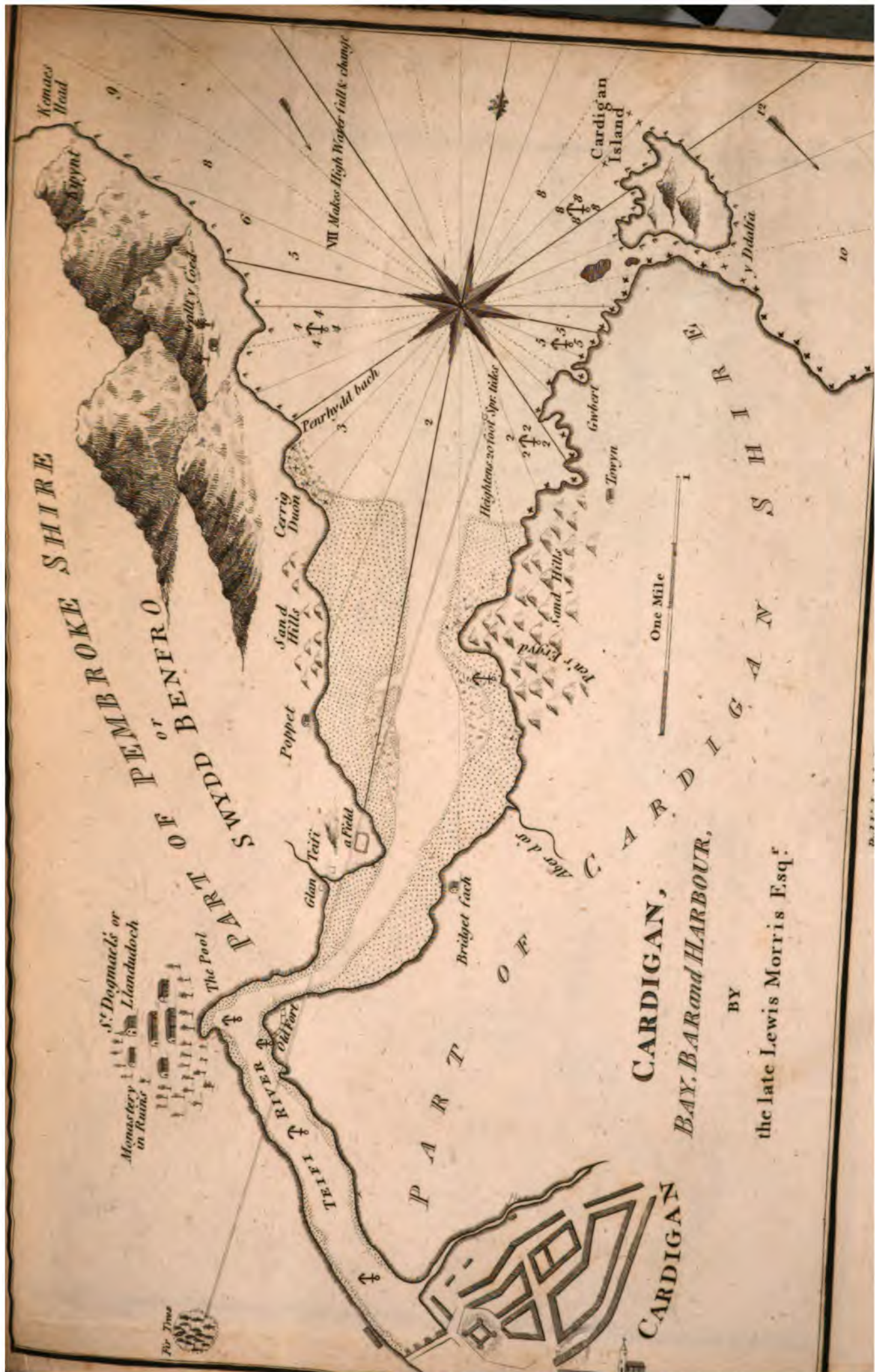
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NEWPORT BAY & HARBOUR,

in Pembroke Shire
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Cwair

Rhyd Barrog

Arni Dewi

Catman Head

Slates

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Morva Mawr

Pen y Bâl

Carreg y Drowy
or Llawwy

Godir Bwch

Pen y Bwa

One Mile.

Aberystroth

Aberystroth

Aberystroth

Dinas Church

Dinas Harbour

Ynys y Dinas

Pen y Fawr

Heightens 24 foot on Spr. Tides

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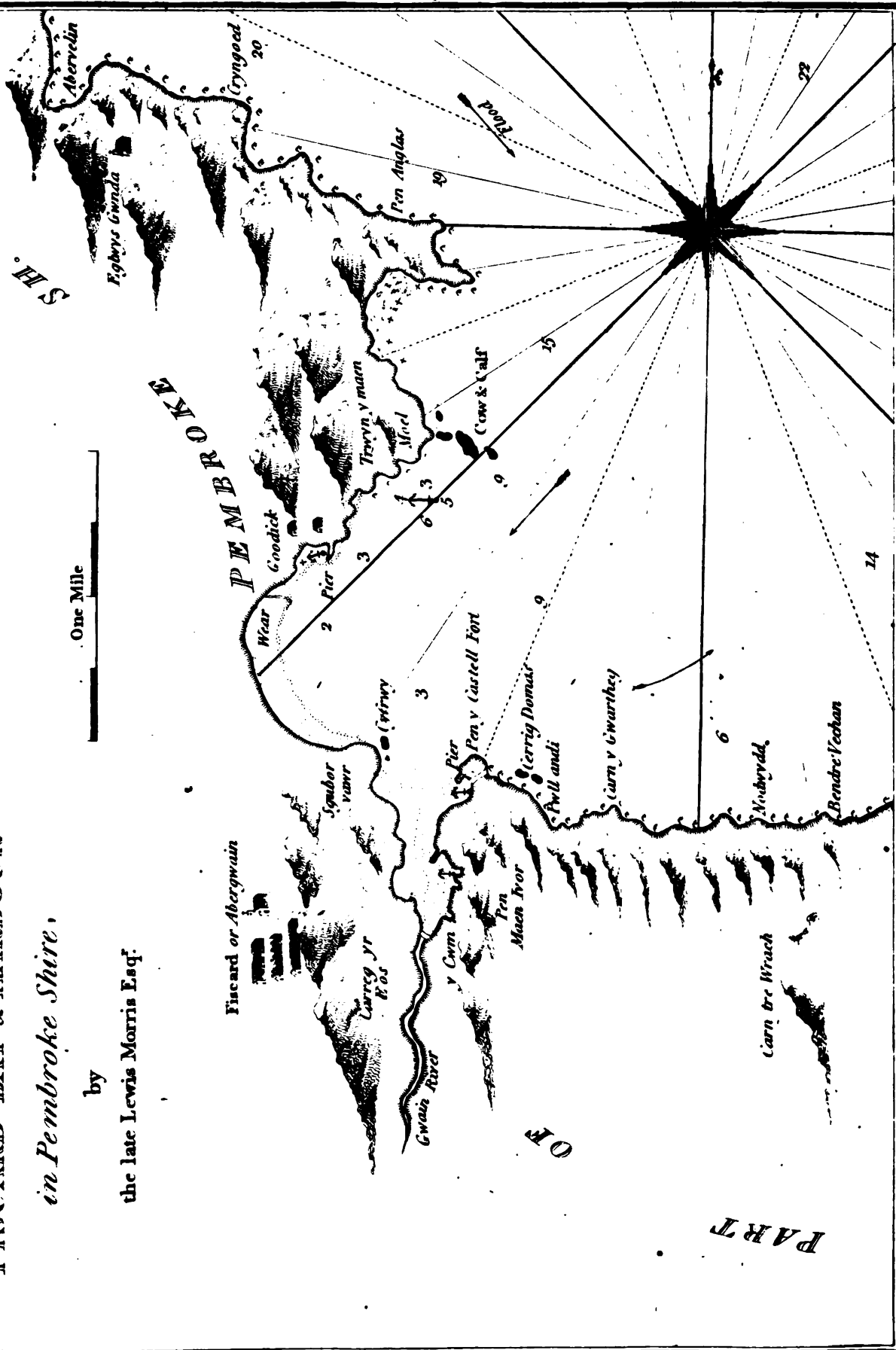
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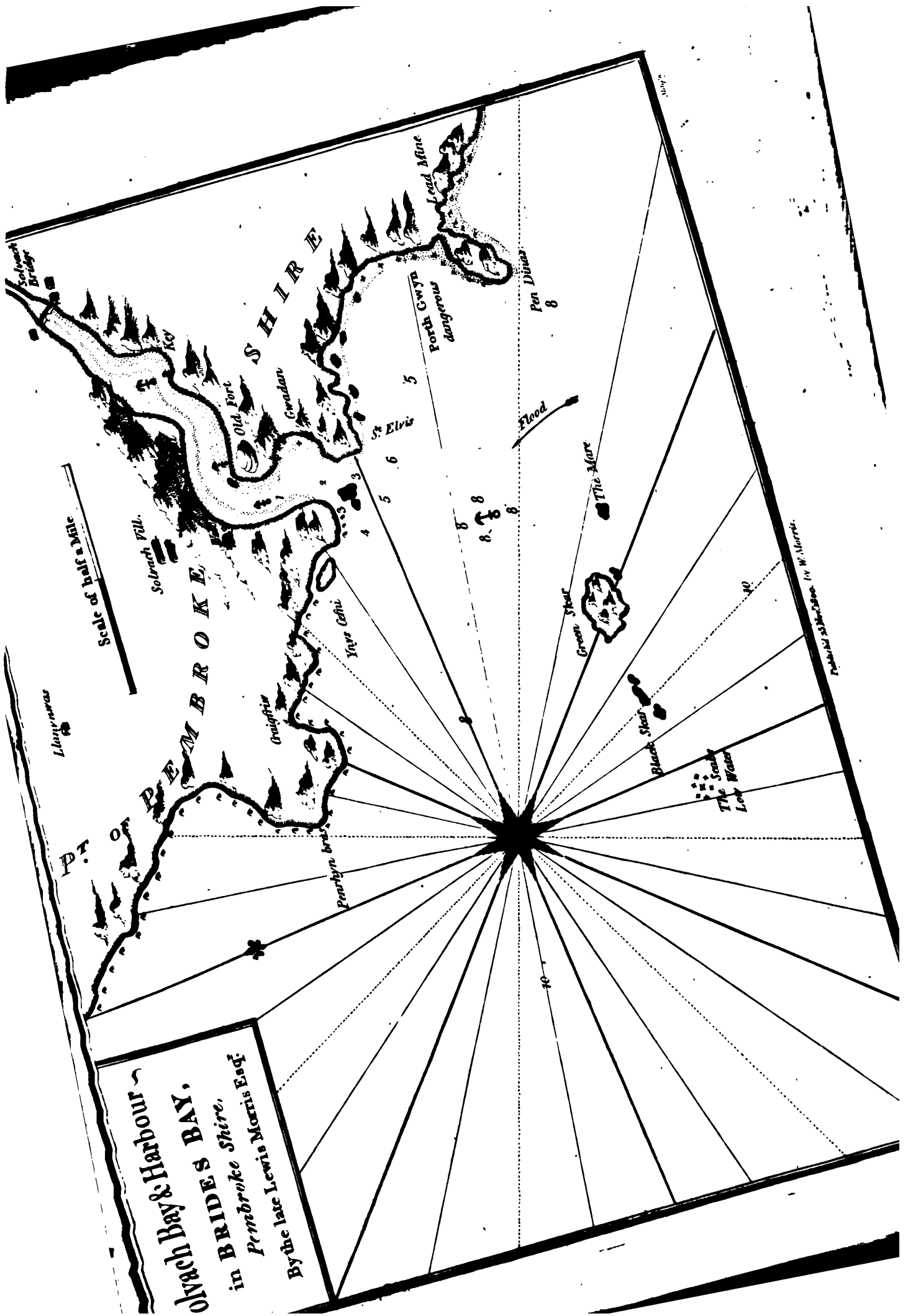
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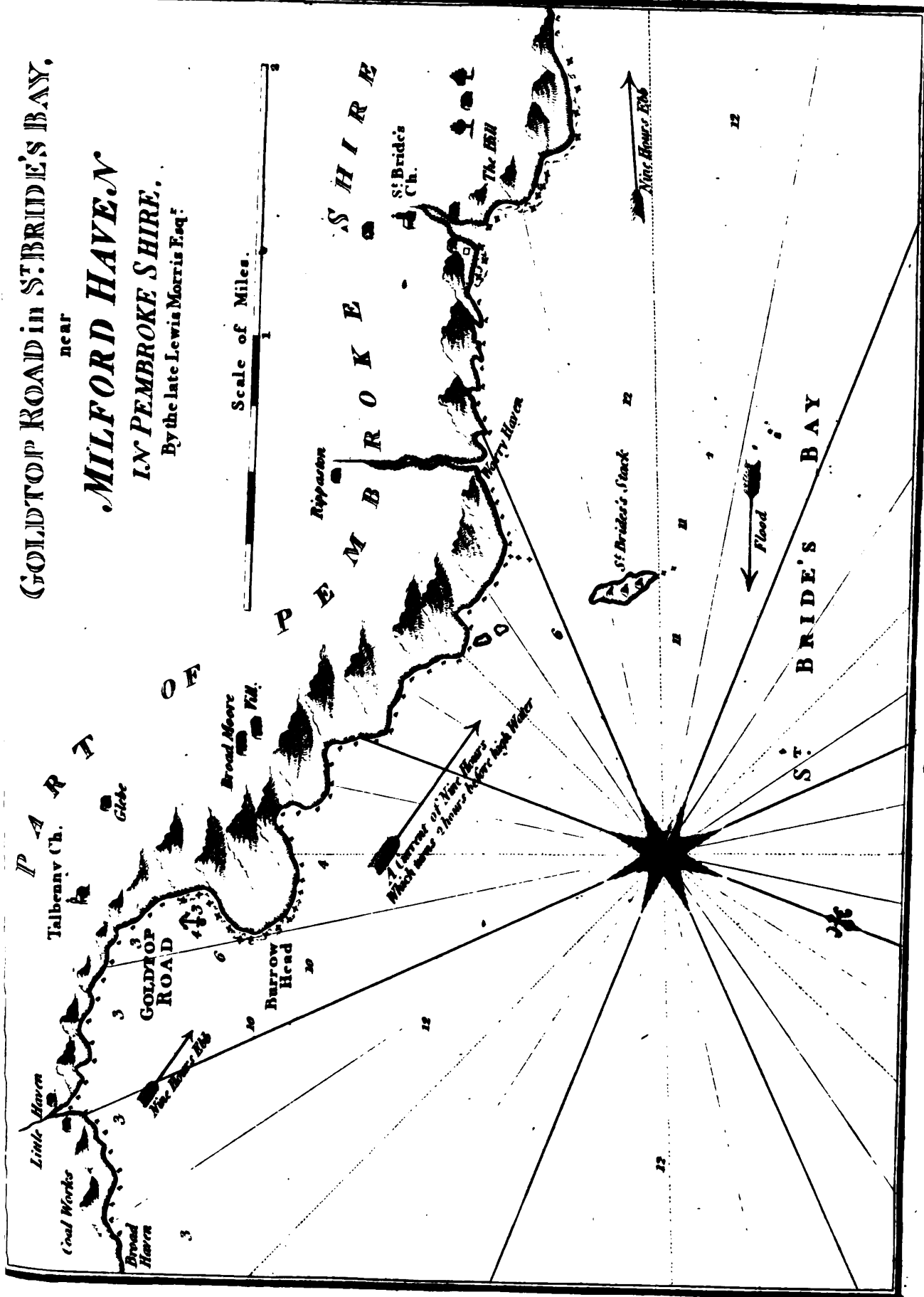
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MILFORD HAVEN

IN PEMBROKE SHIRE.

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Scale of Miles.

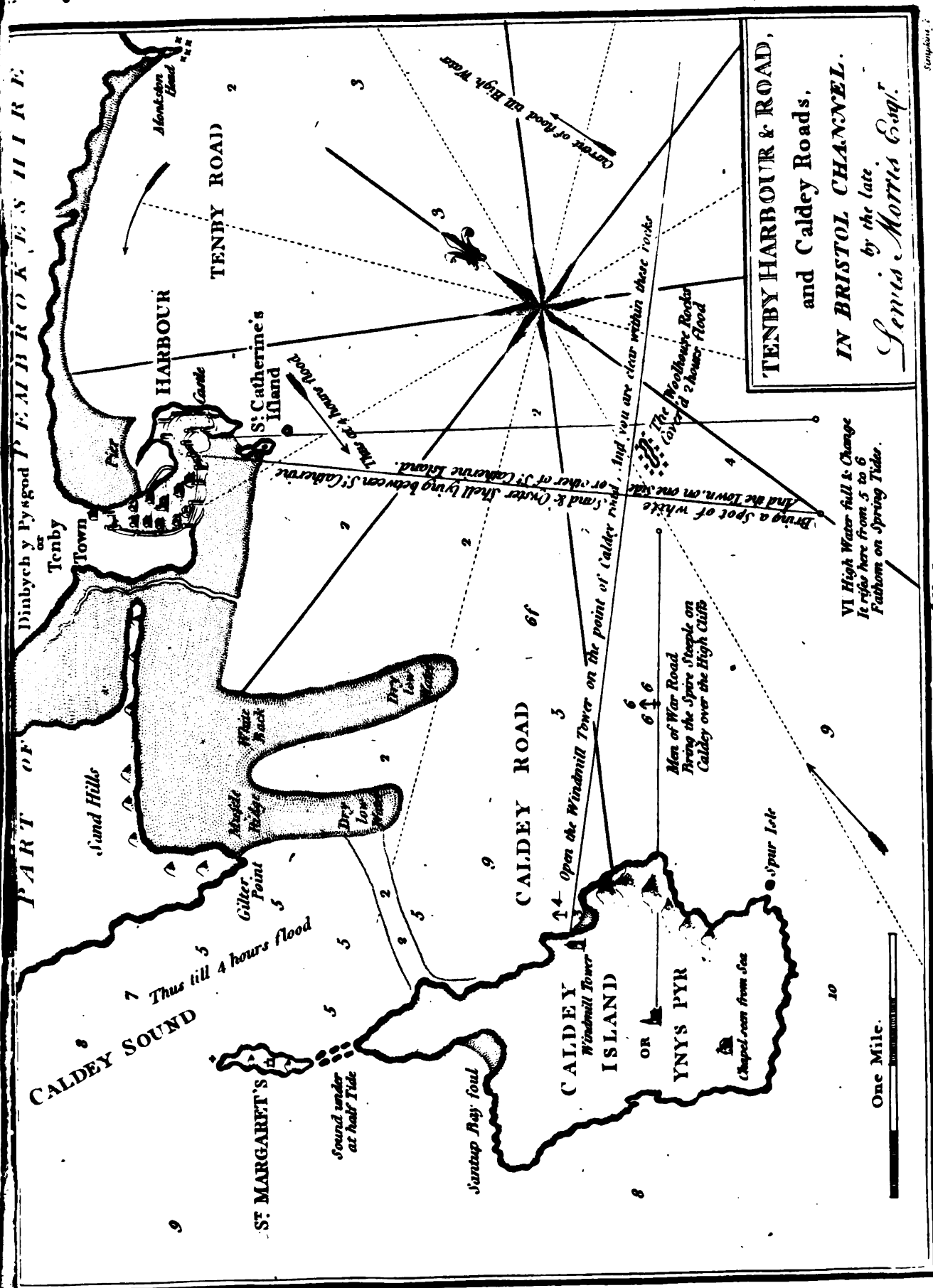


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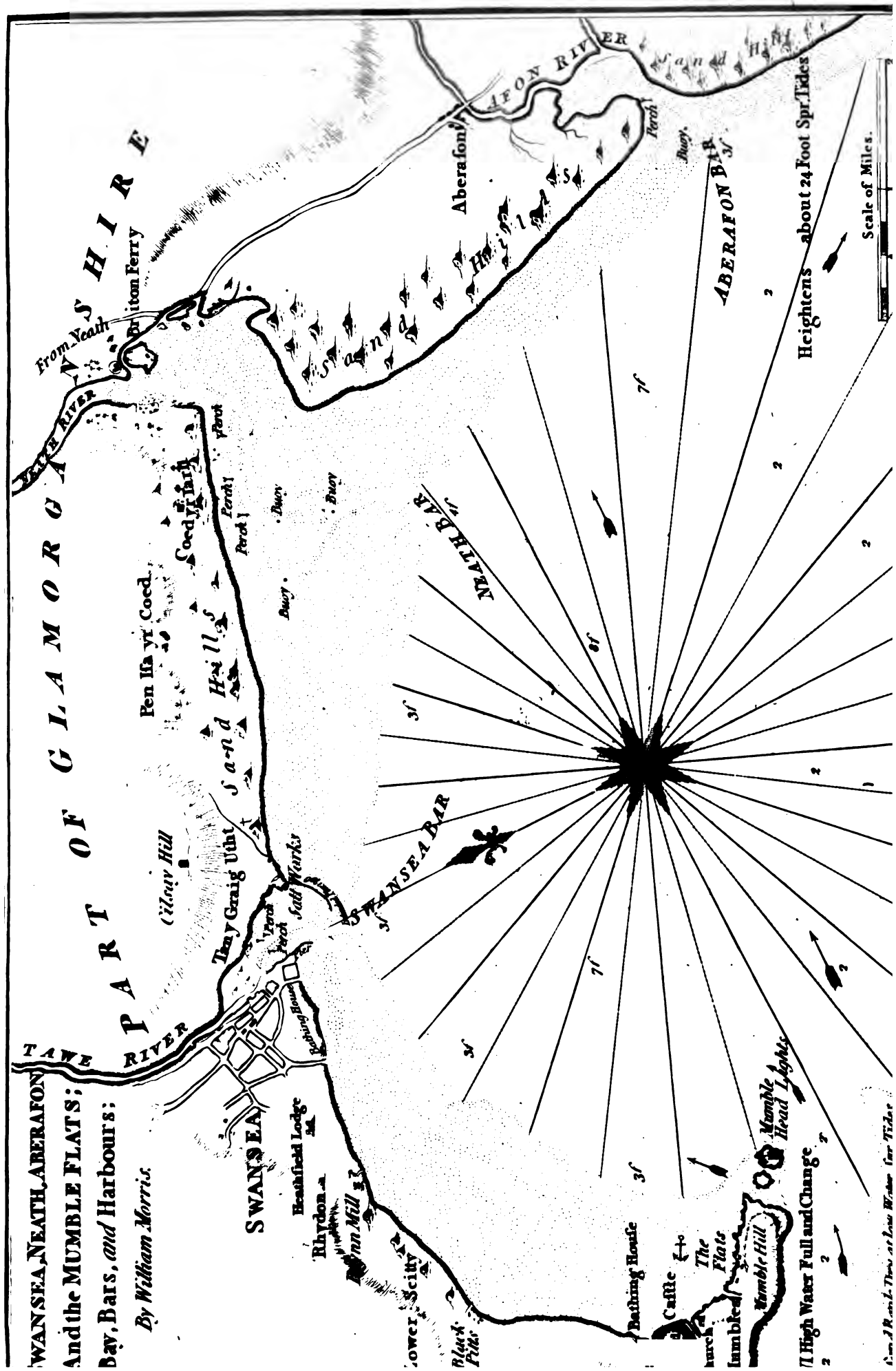


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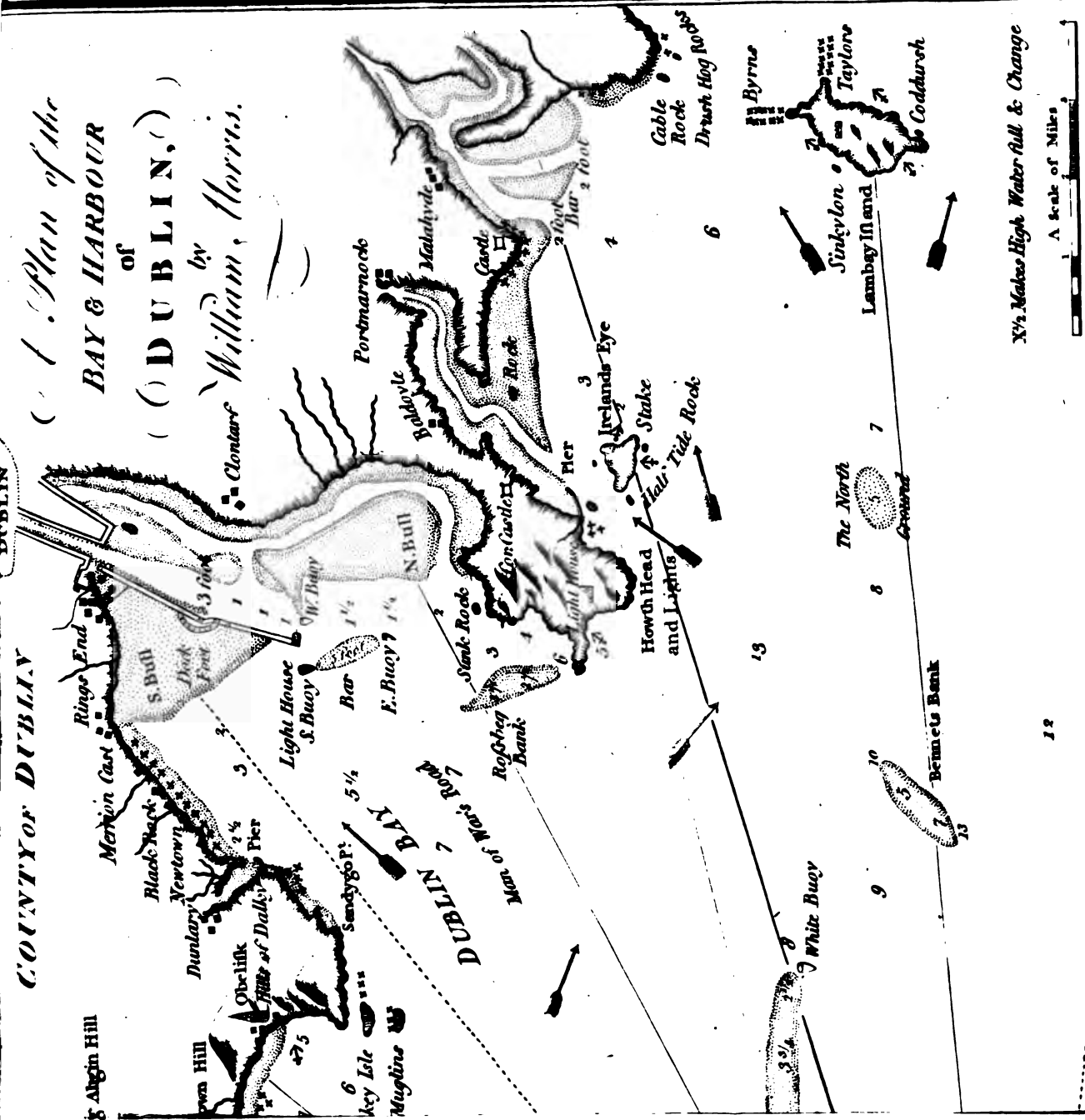






COUNTY OF DUBLIN

Plan of the
BAY & HARBOUR
of
DUBLIN, by
William Morris.



X 1/2 Makes High Water Full & Change

A Scale of Miles



OBSERVATIONS;
WITH
SOME ACCOUNT OF THE NATURAL PRODUCTIONS OF THE
HARBOURS, &c.

LIVERPOOL, HOYLAKE, and CHESTER HARBOURS.

VESSELS inward-bound to Liverpool, not having Tide Tables (which are published at Liverpool yearly) must observe that it is high water among the banks, at full and change, about half-past ten o'clock, and rises about 26 feet; and on the quarters about four and rises about 14 feet; and that all the can-end buoys must be left on the starboard hand, and the calk-end buoys on the larboard hand: when you are at anchor at the N. E. buoy, observe when the tide flows to the turbury or black ground near Dove Point, there is about 12 feet water on the bar in the Rock channel, and when the turbury ground is almost covered there is 18; when near the Rock perch observe, when the tide flows up to the perch you have 8 feet water, when it covers the lower boards 12, when it just covers the upper boards 17, and when it is up to the shores you have 24 feet on the bar. The constant alterations in the Hoyle and Burbo sand banks are well known, for where the best channel is one week, in another it becomes a sand bank. None but good pilots, who are here as capable as any in Great-Britain, and who are in constant practice in and out of the harbour, and who are always examining the depth of water and taking new leading marks as the alteration of the sands may require, can pretend to carry a ship in or out of port with any chance of safety. A buoy is much wanted at the W. ends of the Hoyle and Mad Wharf sands, and one at Dove Point: the Point of Air light house was built to direct ships going over Chester bar, therefore be cautious you do not mistake it for the Bidestone, or Mock Beggar lights. The time of tide and the ship's draught of water are the principal objects to be considered in going into Hoylake, and Chester harbour, on account of the bars, where there is but 1 fathom at low water spring tides, and not above 18 feet at half tide; at all tides, when the wind and tide will not admit to get into the lake, you may stop a tide without the N. E. buoy. See the plan of Liverpool, &c.

CONWAY.

THIS harbour might be made very convenient at no great expence; two or three perches are much wanted on the land side, and a buoy at the W. end of the bar; and another on that patch of foul ground, called Llys Ellis ap Clynog: this place was famous in former times for pearl fishing, but is now much neglected: upon all this coast, the pearl muscle is found in great plenty.

BEAUMARES SOUND and CROSS ROAD.

THIS was a place of good trade formerly, and might be so now if the inhabitants pursued it, the harbour being large, safe, and well situated; vessels may enter it at any time of the tide, by the W. passage. A buoy is much wanted, which with the perch on the Horfe, would be sufficient directors in the day time to the Cross Road.

To sail to the Fryers Road, which is about a league from the Cross Road, keep sight of the top of the tower on Priestholme Island, that it be not covered by the high end of the island, and it will carry you clear of all dangers on the Anglesea side. In the night, or a fog, take your soundings from Lavan sands on your larboard hand. When you open the lane by Fryers House, you may anchor in 6 fathom stiff clay ground, or lie aground in soft mud.

RED WHARF.

THIS is a noted place for the lime stone trade, which is carried on to all the neighbouring counties, but as it lies open to the N. W. wind, a small pier, at Porth Llongdy, which might be made for about 400l. would be of very great utility. At a place called Twll'y-wig, in this bay, there are large loose planks of grey marble, that have been thrown out of their beds by the sea; one of which is 3 feet thick, 9 feet broad, and 27 feet long, containing 609 cubic feet; and as the specific gravity of this marble is 2. 7. this stone must weigh above 47 tons. Near this place are noted quarries of mill stone, of the grit kind, which are shipped off here. The sand of this place is good manure.

DULAS.

THE entrance of this harbour is narrow, and full of large loose stones, which makes it dangerous going in and out; these stones ought to be brought ashore,

to make a small pier-head at Tŷn-y-nant; and the gravel from the S. E. side of the harbour's mouth thrown into the river, which would widen it and break much of the rapidity of the tide, occasioned by the great indraught; this place is much frequented by ships, and something ought to be done; a pier would not exceed 400l.

AMLWCH PORT.

THIS is but a small creek, two miles to the W. of Elian Point and Light House; it is no more than a cove between two steep rocks, where a vessel has hardly room to wind even at high water. The Paris mine company has been at very considerable expence in making it a safe harbour, and a large vessel might be saved here, in case of necessity, provided the mouth of the harbour could be discovered, which is difficult for a stranger to find; there are two small white houses for land marks, one on each side the dock, which have lights in them at night, that make the entrance more conspicuous. The easternmost Mouſe, a small island near the place, is a good direction till you come close to shore. Near this place is Porth Elian, where the Liverpool pilot boats lie afloat in 8 fathom water, to be ready to meet any vessel in the offing; and not far from hence is that famous copper mine Paris Mountain; at this port the ore, &c. is shipped off.

CAMLYN.

HERE is a convenient place to make a small dock, nature having laid out the lines of one ready to our hands; or a small pier might be made which would make it a safe lying place for coasters; a perch ought to be erected on the eastern end of Harry's Furlong, a very dangerous spot of foul ground. Here and at the Coal Rock numbers of vessels have been lost, the rock being exactly in the trade way, and some care ought to be taken of men's lives more than has been hitherto; on this dangerous coast and near to this place is a famous quarry of the stone Asbestos, a beautiful marble, in which is found the linum abestinum, called here salamander's wool; of a substance like flax, that will bear common fire; it is mentioned by Pliny in his natural history, and others, who say the ancients made cloth of this fossil flax, in which they burnt the hearts of their deceased princes, to preserve their ashes; and at Llanbadrig, three miles eastward of this place, there is a great body or vein of strong oker of various colours, and an extraordinary fine white clay, of the cimolia kind. Painters, potters, stone cutters, miners, &c. may find here, materials that may be of service to them.

HOLYHEAD.

THIS is a dry well sheltered harbour, with soft ground to lie on, except in N. W. winds, which renders it dangerous for large shipping to lie in; if a pier was run out to the S. E. from the salt house, on the S. point of the Salt Island, within which large vessels might lie afloat; and the N. sound, and the sound of Parry's Island, walled up, it would prevent the swell in the harbour; all this may be done at the expence of about 8000*l*. it would then be a safe harbour, but now it is only one of the rough drafts of nature, without the helping hand of man. This is the station of the packets between England and Dublin: on the N. point of Salt Island, the Charlemont packet, belonging to Parkgate, was lost on the 18th of December, 1790, when 110 souls perished, owing intirely to there not being a draught of the harbour. There is in this neighbourhood a large vein of white fuller's earth, and another of yellow, which might be useful to trade.



SKERRY LIGHT HOUSE. See General Chart.

THIS light house lies on the island of Skerries, about 3 leagues N. N. W. of Holyhead harbour, and about half a league from the main: the light may be seen 7 or 8 leagues off, and is of great use to navigation.



ABERFFRAW.

THIS village is noted in history for being once the seat of the Princes of Wales. A pier of 20 or 30 yards on Trwyn-Dû, would make this a good harbour, and would be useful to strangers, who are often embayed. The sand of this place is good manure; and at Llangwyfan, in the neighbourhood, there is a quarry of white marble, which, as it bears a good polish, may be worth the attention of statuaries.



MALLDRAETH.

IF a pier was erected at Dinas-Llwyd, it would make this a safe lying place for large vessels, which are here often embayed, and it would become a place of consequence; or by contracting the entrance of Malldraeth, from Llanddwyn towards Dinas-Llwyd, an excellent harbour might be formed. Here is free stone for building, and at Llanddwyn a green stone with white and red spots, which will bear a good polish; there is likewise here a ponderous ruddy spar, in great plenty (at a place called Llangeinwen) whose specific gravity is 4. 25. and which no doubt contains some metal. The principal commodities of the island of Anglesey are corn and

cattle: Robertson, in his map of commerce, published about 200 years ago, says, Anglesea sent to the English market about 3000 head of cattle yearly; but the island is so much improved in husbandry since his time, that they amount now to 20,000; besides at least 10,000 hogs, and a great number of sheep: after the annual fairs are over, it is computed the stock of cattle on the island is at least 40,000. The beef of this island is sweeter and more solid than the Irish, and it is probable would be found in the end to be cheaper to victual ships for long voyages, than more flabby meat, which is subject to waste by salt, and to shrink in the boiling.

CAERNARFON.

THIS bar is so far from the shore, that in foggy weather land-marks are of little use; and as it is also a shifting bar, it may well be said, they are of no use at all. Two buoys have of late been set down, one black and the other red, which were much wanted, and great care ought to be taken to preserve them. Vessels going in must leave the black buoy on the larboard hand, the red buoy on the starboard hand, and the perch on the larboard hand. Vessels drawing more than 10 feet water must not attempt to pass the bar until four hours flood; the breakers about the black buoy are occasioned by the meeting of the tides, and not on account of any shallows. Many vessels take the Menai passage, particularly when the wind is adverse for doubling Holyhead, but it must not be attempted by strangers without a pilot, on account of the danger of going through the Swelly, which cannot be passed but on slack tides. Here the best slates in the world are supposed to be found, which are of the blue kind, very light and convenient for carriage, and the most durable of any yet discovered. A vast quantity of these are shipped for America, annually; and near Moel-y-Don, on the Caernarfon side, there is a large bed of a beautiful small-grained white free stone, which supplies this part of the world with whet-stones. The hardest kind, if used with oil, is little inferior to the Turkey oil-stone.

The SWELLY.

THIS is the most dangerous part of the channel or straits of Menai, an arm of the sea, separating Anglesey from Caernarfonshire: it is called by the Welsh Pwll Keris, or Ceris, a name borrowed (it is likely) from the Roman Charybdis, such another dangerous place as this, on the coast of Sicily. The resistance the tides meet with from the numberless rocks and sand banks, together with the narrowness of the channel, occasions great over-falls, violent currents, and whirlpools, while the tide of flood or ebb makes strong, therefore must not be attempted but upon slack tides. The tide coming from Caernarfon bar, flows here sooner by an hour and a quarter

than the north tide at Beaumares, and makes an over-fall at Carreg-y-Pwll of about 6 feet, till it has flowed about four hours. The tide from hence rushing with great violence as far as Penrhyn Saffras, near Beaumares, meets the northern flood, which conquers it by degrees; and about an hour and a quarter before it is high water at Beaumares, the tide turns in the Swelly towards Caernarfon, which is the best time to pass: but this nick of time must be carefully observed by large ships, taking the advantage of a fair wind and a good pilot. It is common for small sloops to turn to windward among these islands, when the wind is scant; but it is not advisable for large vessels to attempt. At low water spring tides, there is not above 7 or 8 feet in the best channel.



PORTHDINLLEYN and NEFYN.

THESE are very safe and excellent harbours for ships that may be driven by stress of weather into Caernarfon bay: the pier at Porthdinlleyn, which was begun to be raised by a gift of 600l. from king George I. but never finished, is now almost in ruins, and if not looked after, this excellent harbour will be quite destroyed. There is a small pier at Nefyn which is found very useful for the herring fishery and coasting vessels,—this pier likewise is falling to decay.



BARDSEY ISLAND, SOUND and ROAD.

BARDSEY island being very high on the southern side, is the first land generally made in St. George's channel; and it is allowed by most commanders of ships, that if a light house was erected thereon, it would be the means of saving abundance of vessels that are continually lost in the neighbourhood, owing to the causeway, and the sand banks near the island, and it would be a good guide to the capital road of St. Tudwal's.



St. TUDWAL'S ROAD.

THIS famous road is reckoned to be one of the best and safest in Great-Britain, there being a good outlet, and it is so extensive, that it would contain the whole navy of England, with good holding ground of stiff blue clay: on the S. W. side of the road, there might be made a good dry harbour, for small vessels, by running out a pier from Penrhyn-dû point to the northward, which might be done for about 400l. A perch is much wanted on Carreg-y-Trai, and another on the N. end point

of Ynis Tudwal,—these are absolutely necessary. At a place called Mynydd-y-Rhiu, not far from hence, there is a blackish heavy hard stone, which is reckoned better than brass for the center pins of engines to turn on; and further on, towards Bardsey sound, there is a beautiful quarry of red marble, which will bear a fine polish.

PWLLHELI.

THIS is a safe good harbour, and well sheltered from all winds; a perch is much wanted at the extreme end of Carreg-yr-Imbill rocky point.

SARN BADRIG, or PATRICK'S CAUSEWAY.

THIS is a ledge of rocks very narrow and steep on the N. side, but with regular foundings on the other; it is dry at low water spring tides for about 21 miles to sea, stretching out from the coast of Merionethshire, and lies about E. N. E. and W. S. W. The extreme end is about 4 leagues S. S. W. from St. Tudwal's road. Numbers of vessels have been lost here, owing, in a great measure, to Captain Collins' chart, which makes 10 and 17 fathom in the very middle of it, when it is correctly ascertained to become dry the last quarter ebb; and he is too closely followed by all our mercenary chart contrivers, few of whom ever saw the places they pretend to describe; this surely is a crime equal to making false lights, to mislead vessels for the sake of the wreck. There are several large loose stones on the extreme end, dry at low water spring tides; one of which is 4 yards diameter, and would bear fixing a perch on; this would be of general use to navigation. History informs us that all the bay between this Causeway and Cardiganhire, was formerly dry land, called Cantref Gwaelod, or the Bottom Hundred, and was swallowed up by the sea in the time of Gwyddno Goronhir, who was Lord thereof, about A. D. 500. Those who desire to be better acquainted with the causeway, will consult the general chart.

BARMOUTH.

THIS harbour is the best bar harbour in Wales, but the mountains are so high about it, that land-marks would be of no use in foggy weather; a buoy is really wanted at each bar. Up the river near Dolgelley, there is iron-stone in great abundance; some attempts have been made to manufacture it, but it did not succeed through want of skill; and near this place is one of the greatest veins of marcasite or sulphur I ever met with, containing some small veins of copper ore.

ABERDOVEY.

THE bar of this excellent harbour has been forced close to the N. side of the river, owing to the wind blowing so frequently from the southerly quarters. Buoys only can be of use. Two houses or turrets might be erected on Cers Fochno, on the Cardiganshire side, in a line with the bar, which would be of service in clear weather.



ABERYSTWITH.

HERE a great part of the year is lost to trade for want of a good harbour, and the bar is so often choaked up, that the smallest vessels are frequently obliged to lie till a land flood sets them at liberty. A good harbour would be of the greatest advantage to the trade of the town, and of general utility and service in this deep bay, particularly to ships that are driven in by storms of weather, and prevent, which but too frequently has happened, their being stranded or lost.

The improvements lately made on the N. side of the river have been entirely demolished, but it is thought, if a pier was carried to sea on the W. side, it would probably keep it within its bounds. At the Wûg, on the N. side of the town, a capital harbour might be made, by running a pier out on the ridge of rocks, which may be effected at the expence of about 20,000l. this would then be the best situation on the coast of Wales, for the station of packets between England and Ireland.



CAER WYDDNO, or PATCHES, and SARN GYNFELYN.

THIS is a patch of foul ground lying about 2 leagues N. W. of Aberystwith, dry on some low veres, and very dangerous; from hence there is a narrow ridge of foul ground to Gwallog, called Sarn Gynfelyn, which makes the bay of Aberystwith. A perch might be erected on Caer-wyddno, or Patches, which would be of very great service to navigation, and be the means of preventing numbers of ships being lost.



ABERAYRON.

A small port about 15 miles S. of Aberystwith, the bar of which is dry at low water; a buoy is much wanted at the extreme end of Sarn Cadwgan, which would be of great service to strangers when driven in here by storms of weather.

NEW QUAY, or KEY.

HERE is an excellent well sheltered road, with a small pier, which is almost in ruins; it has a good outlet, and is much frequented by smugglers: a perch is much wanted at the extreme end of that patch of foul ground, called Carreg Ina, which would render it a safe road for large shipping.



CRIBACH ROAD.

TWO leagues E. of Cardigan isle, lies Cribach Road, which was much frequented by the French in former wars, and shews how well that nation was acquainted with our coast. It is a snug road, and a pier might be made at little expence.

CARDIGAN.

HERE an excellent harbour might be made at Pen'yr-Ergyd, by running a pier to the S. W. which may be compleated for about 1000l. A buoy is much wanted on the bar, or else a house or turret on the hill, in a line with Pen'yr-Ergyd and the bar; as the present land-marks are of very little use, for in foggy or dark weather they are not to be perceived, being at so great a distance from the bar. This place is noted for the salmon fishery; and up the river the King's wear of Kilgerran, lies.



NEWPORT.

THIS bar is rather dangerous, on account of the channel being driven so close to the rocks on the S. side: there are old piles yet to be seen at low water mark where the bar was formerly, and where it still ought to be. In this bay there is a quarry of slates that supplies all the coast; and not far from hence there is a vein of allum earth, never worked.



FISCARD.

HERE a dry harbour might be made for small vessels. Our frigates have often run into Fiscard road in a storm, and vessels may lie well there in 5 or 6 fathom water, if they have good ground tackle, the ground being a strong blue clay and sand; in northerly winds vessels must lie close in shore, on account of the swell being so very great. This might be made an excellent road, by filling up the sound between the rocks

called the Cow and Calf, and the shore; the expence would not be above 10,000l. as there is plenty of large loose stones near at hand, and all other materials necessary for such a work.

RAMSEY ROADS.

HERE two perches are absolutely wanted, and trade sustains a great loss by their having been so long neglected,—one on the horse, and another on the horse-shoe, two very dangerous rocks, in the trade way. These would make the passage safe for all vessels, and would be very convenient in easterly winds, to save going round the islands. Seals breed in plenty about these islands, and great profit might be made from their skins and oil, if attended to.

SOLVACH.

THIS harbour, if it was improved, would be very useful for vessels driven into Bride's bay by stress of weather; but in its present state, it is next to an impossibility for a stranger to find out the entrance. The rock in the mouth of the harbour, and the high lands about it, make it appear as one solid cliff, though there is 3 fathom at low water between and the rock. A white house or turret ought to be erected on the high ground on St. Elvis' point, and another on the opposite side of the harbour, that could be seen from any part of the bay. Some stones in the mouth of the harbour ought to be blown up, and the S. point of the entrance entirely carried off, as far as high water mark:—all this would not exceed 500l.

GOLDTOP ROAD.

A pier on Burrow head would make this a very safe road, in 3 or 4 fathom water, and the beach by that means would be cleared of the large loose stones which now cover it; if this place was improved it would soon become a place of great trade, as there are several coal works in the neighbourhood, but even as it is, a vessel in distress will find a safe riding.

MILFORD-HAVEN.

THIS is reckoned one of the most extensive and best ports in his Majesty's dominions; consisting of roads, harbours and creeks, that would perhaps contain all the shipping in Europe: but many of the harbours here, as well as in other ports on the Welsh coasts, want repair; and some notable improvements might

be made in them: if the legislature would establish a fund for that purpose, it might be the means of raising the spirit of trade in many places where the inhabitants are utter strangers to it.

NANGLE ROAD.

THIS is one of the excellent roads in Milford-Haven where our men of war and other large ships lie, in want also of some improvement. At about half-flood all Nangle flutch or ooze is covered over; about the middle of which there is a parcel of straggling stones, called the Oyfter Rocks, about 4 feet high, which, as they do not appear at low water neap tides, being quarter-tide stones, makes the place very dangerous for vessels that are obliged to run in there when it blows too hard in the road. These, and the stones on Nangle point, may be removed at the expence of about 300l.

DALE ROAD and HARBOUR, MILFORD-HAVEN.

THIS is a ready outlet, where vessels may ride in 2 or 3 fathom at low water. The pier, which is now in a bad state, should not be suffered to go to decay, and it would be very useful to trade if it was repaired.

The STACK ROCK and BLOCK HOUSES, in MILFORD.

IN the time of queen Elisabeth, before the Spanish invasion, two forts were begun at the entrance of Milford, one on each side, called Nangle and Dale block-houses, but were never finished. The situation of these block-houses was very ill chosen, as they would annoy our friends as well as our foes; for upon a vessel being commanded to bring too, before she is well in the mouth of the haven, or in safety, she may be driven on shore on the rocks and lost, or miss the harbour. A small fort might be built on the Stack, and another on Sandy Haven point, which would command the entrance of Milford Haven, without endangering our own shipping. The Stack rock is always above water, and lies near the middle of the entrance of the haven, between Nangle and Dale.

NEW MILFORD.

THIS is the station of the packets between England and Waterford, and is at present in a high state of improvement, chiefly by the generosity and attention of the Right Honorable Charles Fulke Greville.

PENARMOUTH, in MILFORD.

THIS is the mouth, or opening, of that branch of the Haven which runs up to Pembroke, where the custom-house of Milford is. The entrance or breadth between rock and rock, is but 200 yards at high water, and 112 at low; and from 9 to 12 feet deep at low water. The navigation up this branch, is much impeded by the rubbish from the lime-stone quarries being thrown into the river, which ought not to be suffered, or the place will be stopped up in process of time. Within Penarmouth, a dock might be made that would contain all the shipping in England; and would perhaps be the greatest work of the kind in the world.

The CARRS.

THIS is a ridge of rocky ground, running almost across Milford-Haven, from Pater Church towards Llanstadwel, which makes the channel narrow and difficult for strangers to follow; and as it does not appear at low water neap-tides, it renders the place more dangerous. Perches are much wanted to point out the channel. A pier might be made upon this ridge, which would make, to the eastward of it, a harbour not to be equalled in Great-Britain.

NAYLAND.

HERE might be made a famous dock, a mile and a quarter in length; and vessels might lie at the dock head, in 4, 6, or 8 fathom water.

LAURENNEY.

HERE as well as at many other places in Milford, unless persons in power will take care to prevent vessels throwing their ballast out in the channel, it will inevitably be ruined in a short time. Black-Key, Landshopping, Hook, Little-Milford, Blackhill-Key, &c. are also places higher up in Milford-Haven, where small vessels load.

THE PERGUS BANK.

THIS bank lies about 2 leagues S. W. of St Ann's light houses, and it is remarkable, that though this dangerous bank was always known to the fishermen of Milford, the dangers of it were never laid down in any of our charts, and but few give any account of it.

GRESHOLM ISLAND, SMALLS, and the HATTS and BARRELS

GRESHOLM island lies about 6 leagues to the N. W. of Milford-Haven, and is the first land seen in coming towards Milford from the westward, being a high round island, and steep: this was a far more dangerous coast formerly for vessels that fell in with the land at night than it is at this time, the Smalls, &c. being so far out in the channel, that frequently ships were amongst them, before the lights on St. Ann's point could be seen. The main rock of the Smalls which at low water is about 50 yards long, has now a light house upon it, lying S. E. and N. E. and from it to the S. E. there are 4 other smaller rocks that appear in a line before low water, extending about 100 yards, and a sunken rock 20 yards farther, when you are all at once in 30 or 40 fathom water. From the Smalls, pointing towards Milford-Haven, there is ledge of rocks that appear at low water for about a mile, called the Hatts and Barrels, and between them and Gresholm, and near a league from Gresholm, are other rocks called Skittle, or Kettle Bottom, which come dry on some low veres, and are very dangerous; and in a line pointing from Gresholm to Ramsey, a league from Gresholm, is another sunken rock, called the Pope; and N. E. of Gresholm, about 3 leagues, lies the Augre Bank, (or Tarad'r) and that patch of foul ground called the Mascus, which is said to come dry on some low veres. All these dangerous rocks are falsely laid down, or no mention made of them, in all the latest English surveys that I have met with: and here it may not be improper to inform the reader, that the south stream, (commonly called the tide of flood,) on account of the opposition made to the tide by these islands and rocks, and the great pressure of water from the southward, which runs here from two to three and four hours later than when it is high water on shore, according to the distance from shore, and the stream from the N. which must be taken particular notice of in calculating the tides, or else one tide may be mistaken for another. It will be found the same on all head lands, where there is an opposition of rocks and islands, as among the rocks of Scilly, &c. but more where the tide runs athwart the promontory, as it doth here and at Bardsey.

The CROW ROCK.

THIS is a very dangerous rock lying exactly in the trade way, between the Bristol channel and Milford-Haven, and is covered about 4 hours flood; it is surrounded with several sunken rocks, as the E. and W. Crow's toes, &c. Though this rock doth not lie from the shore above one mile, yet being upon a head land, vessels are frequently driven upon it in dark and foggy weather, and lost; and others fearing the same fate, keep so far out in the channel, that if the wind slackens with them, they are carried out so far, they cannot fetch their intended harbour. A

perch upon this rock, it is allowed by all the traders, would be of the greatest service in navigating this coast; and would be the means of saving the lives and property of many of his Majesty's subjects.

TENBY.

THIS, like most other harbours on the coast of Wales, is in want of great improvement; and a perch on that dangerous rock, called the Woolhouse rock, would render this a safe road for large shipping. The coast of the bay abounds with iron-stone and black marble, insomuch that the walls of Stackpool Court, the seat of the Right Honorable Lord Cawdor, are entirely built with this beautiful black marble, which bears a good polish.

CARMARTHEN, LOUCHARN, and CYDWELLY.

THE bar of these harbours is known to be the most dangerous on the Welsh coast, by being so great a distance from the main land, which makes the present land-marks in dark weather of no use whatever. A buoy is much wanted on the bar, and a perch on the extreme end of the middle patch, which would be in a line with the present land-marks and would be a good direction to the Pools.

BURRY.

THIS is an excellent harbour with about 6 feet at low water on the bar, but very open to N. westerly winds: the sand banks here are continually shifting, and great care ought to be taken of the tail of the Hooper sand-bank, which, at times, makes the bar very narrow. There are great eddys and counter tides in Rose-Silly bay, so as to render it dangerous to anchor there except in good weather.

SWANSEY, and the MUMBLES.

SWANSEY is a considerable sea-port town, with an extensive trade, but a dry harbour: great improvements are going on there at this time, in the making of new piers, &c. which no doubt will be of the greatest benefit to the trading part of this opulent nation; and it is much to be wished, the neighbouring ports would shew the same spirit of industry as the inhabitants of Swansea, and the gentry of the vicinity have of late done.

The Mumble Flats is a dry sheltered situation, with soft ground to lie on; vessels drawing 18 feet water, may run in here at high water spring tides: there is a light house lately erected on the Mumble head, which has proved an invaluable benefit to the traders in the Bristol channel. Here might be made an excellent situation for shipping, if the sounds between the Mumble head and the shore were walled up, or if a pier of 100 yards was run out under the E. point of Mumble hill: the expence of which would not exceed 2000l. as there are plenty of materials at hand.

The Helwick, Mixon, Scarweather, and the Nash sand banks, are so dangerous to the navigation of the Bristol channel, that they require the attention of the legislative power; all these banks lie just in the trade way, being near one-third of the channel over, between Wales and England. Perches and buoys ought to be set on all these banks, which would be of infinite service to all who trade to this part of the world; and would be the means of saving yearly, some hundreds of souls from perishing.

TO close the work, it may not be improper in this place, to caution those who sail in St. George's channel, to be careful to make a sufficient allowance for lee-way, in forming their course. It is notorious that ten vessels are lost upon the coast of Wales, for one that is lost on the opposite coast of Ireland, yet in the same channel. The reason is obvious, the wind blowing for about nine months in the year from the S. W. and W. quarters; the strong tide of flood and ebb running S. W. by S. and N. E. by N. and the indraughts of deep bays concurring, make a dead heavy swell, that always falls upon the coast of Wales, between Holy-head and St. David's-head; so that in easterly winds we feel the ill effect of it: and it is a remark made by the coasters, that in sailing with a fair gale of wind from the coast of Wales to the westward, a vessel will not make so good way through the water as when she sails thither from the westward. It is no wonder, then, that the masters of ships stranded on this coast, and not apprised of these circumstances, are always astonished to find themselves upon a lee-shore, when, by their reckoning, they thought they were several leagues to the westward. Another caution I seriously would give; and that is, never trust too much to the soundings upon this coast; as they will be found for the most part deceptive; the coast being generally steep, and the ground very uneven, and not unlike the land adjoining; and against that preciseness with which some persons note their situations, and depend thereon, from the ground they take up, which in no instance is to be relied upon, as oyster-beds, shells, gravel, pebbles, red and white sand, rock, and flutck, will be found in the compass of a quarter of a mile, especially if at a small distance from the shore, and the vessel going at an easy rate.

I have taken a vast deal of pains to discover over-falls and foul grounds, and to lay them down in the general chart; yet there may be some in so great an extent,

in that dark element, which might escape my notice : and in (page 11) and in the plan of Milford-Haven, I have noted, the stream of tide runs for several hours later on the coast of Wales, than it doth in the channel ; and I repeat it here, that it may be considered with attention, that in keeping the account of a vessel's way, proper allowance be made for lee-way.

Since every care has been taken to give places their proper names in the plans and in the general chart, and as most of the names are Cambro British, commonly called Welsh or Gaulish, which is the purest, and most considerable branch now existing of the Old Celtic, a renowned mother tongue ; there may be some difficulty in the pronunciation thereof, to those that are strangers to the British orthography ; therefore, for the sake of those, who, on account of trade or other correspondence, or who have a curiosity to search into the origin of languages and nations, would wish to know the true pronunciation of those names, which is the real test of languages (letters being but arbitrary marks,) I have here inserted a table of the Cambrian letters, according to the present orthography, compared with the sounds in the English and other neighbouring languages.



IN the Cambrian or Welsh language, there are at present but seven open simple sounds or vowels, denoted by a, e, i, o, u, w, y. I shall only remark that no consonant or vowel in this antient language, ever alters its sound, or is ever mute, even in diphthongs; which is an excellency few other living languages can boast of.



The CAMBRIAN or WELSH ALPHABET,

AS IT IS NOW USED.

a	a English
b	b English
c	k English
ch	ch German, j Spanish, qu Scotch
d	d English
dd	th English, in <i>that</i> and <i>those</i> , never as in <i>thick</i> , <i>thin</i>
e	e English
f	v English
ff	f English
g	g English, in <i>gargle</i> , never as in <i>George</i>
h	h English
i	i English
l	l English
ll	l English, aspirated, peculiar to the Welsh only
m	m English
mh	as m English aspirated, not unlike mh in Amherst
n	
ng	ng English, in <i>fing</i> , <i>King</i>
nh	kn English, in <i>knight</i> , <i>knave</i>
o	o English
p	p English
ph	ff English, <i>luff</i>
r	r English
rh	rh English, in <i>Rhenish</i>
s	s English
t	t English
th	th English, in <i>thick</i> and <i>thin</i>
u	e English, in <i>drew</i> , <i>new</i> , <i>knew</i>
w	oo English, in <i>poor</i> , or w English, in <i>wallwort</i>
y	u English, in <i>purl</i> , never as in <i>pure</i>

THOUGH it would be needless to mention to sea-faring men in general, the use of the following rules, &c. but as this performance may fall into the hands not only of able and experienced seamen, but into those of raw sailors, it will not be amiss to give a few examples of the method generally prescribed for finding the Golden Number, Epact, Leap-year, &c.

To find the golden number, or the cycle of the moon, which is the revolution of 19 years, as invented by Meton.

RULE.

Add 1 to the given year, and divide the sum by 19, the remainder will be the golden number; but if nothing remains, the cycle is out, that is, 19 is the golden number.

EXAMPLE.

Required the golden number for 1801.

By adding 1 to the present year, gives 1802, this divided by 19, gives 94 for the quotient, and the remaining 16 is the golden number for 1801.

Required the golden number for 1804.

By adding 1 makes 1805, this divided by 19, gives 95 for the quotient, and as nothing remains, the golden number is 19.

To find the leap-year.

Divide the given year by 4, if nothing remains, it is leap-year; but if 1, 2, or 3 remains, it is so many years after leap-year, as the remainder is: thus 1801 divided by 4, gives 450, and the remaining 1 shews that it is the first after leap-year: but by an act of parliament, the year 1800 was not to be accounted a leap-year, therefore 1801 is the fifth after leap-year, and so on until the year 1804, which will be a leap-year.

To find the epact, which is a number whereby is noted the excess of the common solar, above the lunar year, and thereby may be found out the age of the moon every day of the year, &c.

RULE.

Divide the given year by 19, the remainder multiply by 11, and the product will be the epact, if it does not exceed 29; but if it does, subtract 30 from it, and the remainder will be the epact, for it never exceeds 29.

EXAMPLE.

What is the Epact for 1801.

Divided by 19)1801(94

171

.. 91
76

Remainder . . 15

Multiplied by . 11

Divided by 30)165(5

150

The epact required . 15

Or add 11 to the epact for the preceding year, but subtract 30 whenever you can.

The epact for 1801 is 15, for 1802 is 26, for 1803 is 7, &c.

To find the Moon's Age on any given day.

To the epact add the day of the month, and the number for the month, and the sum, if it does not exceed 30, is her age; but if it does, subtract 30 from it, and the remainder is her age.

The Epact or Number for each month are as follows.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
In common years	0	2	0	2	2	4	4	6	7	8	10	10
In leap years	0	2	1	3	3	5	5	7	8	9	10	11

EXAMPLE.

Require the Moon's Age the 4th of June, 1801.

To the epact 15, add the number for the month 4, and the day of the month 4, and the sum is 23; which is the moon's age the given day.

Require the Moon's Age the 15th of June, 1801.

The number for the month . 4

The epact 15

Sum 34

Subtract . . . 30

The moon's age required . . 4

To find the Moon's Southing, or when on the Meridian.

Multiply the moon's age by 4, and divide the product by 5, the quotient is the hours, and the remainder is the minutes, when she is upon the meridian.

Require the Moon's Southing the 1st of April, 1801.

The epact	15
Number for the month .	2
Day of the month . . .	1
Moon's age . . .	18
Multiplied by .	4
Divided by . 5	72(14
	70
	2
Multiplied by .	12
	24

Hence it appears, that the moon comes to the south at 24 minutes after 2, in the afternoon; and subtracting 12 hours 24 minutes from it, leaves 2 the time of southing on the following morning.

N. B. From the full moon to the change she comes to the meridian, or south, in the afternoon; but from the change to the full, in the morning.



A TABLE,

For the ready finding the day of the month the new moon will fall on till the year 1900; by which the moon's age may be found for any given day, by knowing the *Golden Number*, according to the method generally used.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Golden Number.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.	New Moon.
1	29	28	29	28	27	26	25	24	22	22	20	20
2	18	17	19	17	17	16	15	13	12	11	10	9
3	8	6	7	5	5	3	3	2	1:30	29	28	27
4	26	25	27	25	25	23	22	20	19	18	17	17
5	15	14	16	15	14	13	12	10	8	8	6	6
6	4	3	5	3	3	1	1:30	29	27	27	25	25
7	23	22	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13
8	12	10	12	10	10	8	8	6	5	4	3	3
9	1	—	1	29	29	27	27	25	24	23	22	21
10	20	18	20	19	18	17	16	15	13	13	11	11
11	9	8	8	7	6	5	4	4	2	1	29	29
12	27	26	27	26	25	24	23	22	20	20	18	18
13	17	15	17	15	15	13	13	11	10	9	8	7
14	6	4	6	5	4	3	2	1:30	29	28	27	26
15	25	23	24	22	22	20	20	19	17	17	15	15
16	13	12	13	12	11	10	9	8	6	6	4	4
17	3	1	3	1	1:30	29	28	27	25	25	23	23
18	22	20	22	20	20	18	18	16	15	14	13	12
19	11	9	10	8	8	6	6	5	3	2	1	1:30

To find the moon's age on any given day, the golden number for the year must be first known, which will be found in the first column; and opposite that, and under the month, you will find the day of the month the new moon will fall on: the day after is the first day of the moon's age, and then it is no more than counting the number of days, either before or after the change, to the day required; in the like manner the time of high water may be found, at any place within this survey.





